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**Subject:** Citizen Call regarding Dimmock, PA

I received a call this morning from **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy** Boise, Idaho. **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy** called to express her concerns regarding the provision of bottled water to citizens of Dimmock, PA. She said she was concerned about the reversal of EPA's decision that was reported in the media this past weekend. I explained the situation in Dimmock based on my conversations with you in December. After discussing the issue for some time **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy** expressed the following concerns which I promised to relay to you in Region 3 for your consideration moving forward.

1. **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy** believes that something needs to be done to assure safe drinking water for the citizens of Dimmock whose water has been contaminated. While **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy** is not opposed to the use of in home treatment for the private wells that have been contaminated she does not believe that homeowners should accept treatment that does not address all the contaminants that are present in the well water nor does she believe the homeowners should have to pay the additional utilities (e.g. electricity costs) from maintaining these treatments.
2. **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy** believes that the sampling analysis of drinking water collected and analyzed by Cabot is biased and does not represent an adequate characterization of the contaminants present.
3. **Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy** appreciates the difficulty of the decisions that have to be made but encourages the Agency to take steps to protect the rural citizens.

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